National Archives of India has microfilmed 552 manuscripts. A list of names of manuscripts printed by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan and microfilmed by the National Archives of India is enclosed. [*See* Appendix CXLII, Annexure No. 60]. The Sansthan has facilities for microfilming at Ganga Nath Jha Kendriya Sanskrit Vidya Peeth, Allahabad (Uttar Pradesh). The National Archives of India has its Archives offices having microfilming, reprographic and xerox facilities in Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Karnataka, Orissa, Punjab, Sikkim, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Goa, Daman and Diu and Delhi.

(c) About 100 manuscripts are likely to be microfilmed by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan during the current year, 1987-88.

Tenders submitted for coal Handling, cinder picking and Ash Handling contract at Tundla Loco Shed

1096. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of parties who submitted tenders for coal handling, cinder picking and ash handling work at Tundla loco-shed group together with rates quoted for indvidual item of schedule and annual valuation of contract separately based on average volume of work;

(b) whether rates received from lowest tenderer were lower than the rates paid to outgoing Society upto 10th July, 1986;

(c) if so, the reasons for not recommending the lowest tender by Tender Committee for acceptance by the competent authority; and

(d) whether the tender was accepted for one year as stipulated in tender conditions and draft agreement and the date of commencement of work and name of the party who was finally awarded the contract?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a)

Sl. No.	Names of the Cooperative Societies	Annual Valuation as per	
		Original offer Rs.	Negotiated offer Rs.
1.	Railway Parcels & Goods Porters Labour Contract Cooperative Society Ltd., Aligarh.	5,77,179.48	5,65,709.30
2.	Railway Shram Avam Nirman Sahkari Samiti Ltd., Tundla.	5,86,527.00	5,51,012.62
3.	Tundla Railway Shram Samvida Sahkari Samiti Ltd., Tundla.	6,18,443.50	5,82,546.14

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Negotiations were held and the lowest tender as per the negotiated rates was accepted.

(d) The negotiated offer of Railway Shram Avam Nirman Sahkari Samiti Ltd., Tundla was accepted for a period of one year from 12.11.86 to 11.11.87.

Staff working in Power Accounts Section in Allahabad, Lucknow and Mordabad Divisions of Northern Railway

1097. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of staff employed in the Power Accounts Section func-

tioning under the administrative control of Senior Divisional Mechanical Engineer, Northern Railway, Allahabad, Lucknow and Moradabad Divisions separtely;

(b) whether the staff working on public dealing seats are rotated periodically;

(c) the number of staff members who have been served with charge sheets for major and minor lapses in dealing with contract cases on Allahabad, Lucknow and Moradabad Divisions together with details thereof; and

(d) what are the reasons for not returning/transferring such staff to their parent branches?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Complaint against commercial officers Allahabad Railway Division

1098. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minster of RAILWAYS be plesed to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a complaint against the Commercial Officers of Allahabad Division in dealing with goods and parcels handling contracts, cycle stand contracts and sale of miscellaneous articles was received in 1983-84 by the Director (Vigilance), Railway Board from a Member of Parliament;

(b) if so, whether any enquiry was conducted by Railway Board and the Central Vigilance Commission was also apprised of the final outcome;

(c) whether any action has been initiated against persons found guilty; and

(d) the names of persons/officers found indulging in corrupt practices together with details of charge sheets of minor/major lapses pending against them and when the investigations are likely to be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Disciplinary proceedings are in progress against 2 officers—for major penalty in respect of one and minor penalty for the other. In addition, notices for recorded warning have been issued to 4 other officers. Minor penalty has been imposed on a non-gazetted employee.

Communication Facility in Remote Areas of Andhra Pradesh

1099. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA:
SHRI TALARI MANOHAR:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of inadequate communication facility in the remote, interior and tribal areas of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether Government have conducted any survey to provide communication facilities to those areas; and

(c) if so, what is the number of post offices, telegraph offices and telephone exchanges proposed to be opened in those areas and by when these are likely to be opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) *Postal*: Postal facilities in the remote, interior and tribal areas of Andhra Pradesh are not inadequate. There are 767 post offices functioning in the tribal areas of the State out of which 36 are provided with telegraph facilities also.

Telecom: Yes, Sir.

(b) *Postal* & *Telecom*: Yes, Sir.

(c) *Postal*: There is at present no proposal to open new post offices in these areas as no villages other than